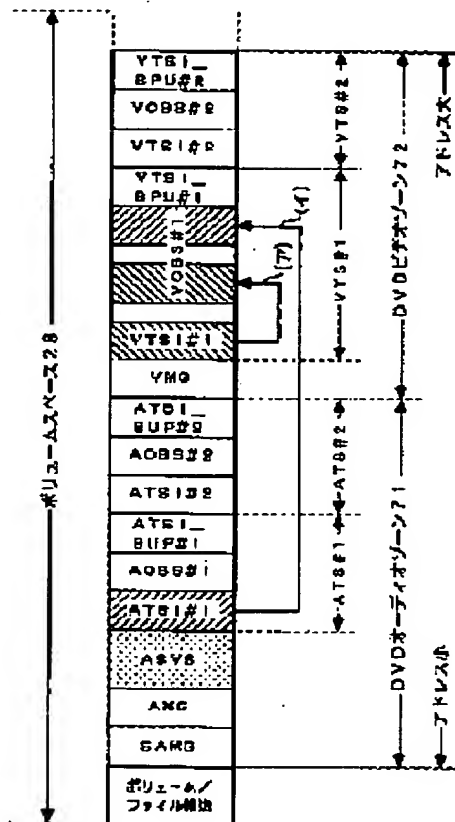


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**PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED:** To cope with DVD audio standards by a different method from a DVD video standards. **SOLUTION:** A volume space 28 of an optical disk includes an audio zone 71. The audio zone 71 includes a simple audio manager SMAG, an audio manager AMG, and audio title sets ATS# managed by the simple audio manager SMAG or the AMG in the order closer to the lead-in of the optical disk. Each ATS# includes linear PCM data or losslessly packed PCM data. The SAMG is configured with a table denoting contents of the linear PCM data or the packed PCM data recorded in the volume space 28 and the table includes a plurality of audio reproduction pointer tables SAPPT#. Then the volume space 28 is configured such that the SAMG placed closer to the lead-in above is read earlier than the AMG.



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